Subject: The "fake" star on the Grant half dollar

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Mr. Howland Wood
American Numismatic Society
156th and Broadway
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wood

I have just received from Mr. Stuart Mosher permission to reproduce (giving full credit to author and source) your excellent article on "The Faked Star on the Grant Half Dollar" which appeared in the April 1937 issue of "The Coin Collector's Journal". Mr. Mosher was of the opinion that you have more recently discovered additional data on the subject and suggested that I write you.

It is our plan, if you have no objection, to mimeograph about one hundred copies for the benefit of our members and friends. If you could use a supply I should be glad to have as many extras run as you desire.

Thanking you in advance for your assistance, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Willis J. McKinney
Sec'y-Treas.

Oct. 18, 1937

Mr. Willis J. McKinney,
52 Sycamore St.,
Albany, NY

Dear Mr. McKinney:

Please pardon the delay in answering your letter asking permission to reproduce the article in the Coin Collector's Journal, the fake Star on the Grant Half Dollar. I have held up answering as I am getting additional material together and expect to publish in the next issue of the Journal, describing a second variety of genuine piece. There now appears to have been two dies used, one without these defects, so that what I have already written does not have the value in detecting these that I originally thought it would have.

You have my permission to reproduce the article but I think it would be better to wait until the second one appears, as only half the story would be told if you reproduce the first one only.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW ks